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REMARKS

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1. Troops started vacating the barracks on 19 April 1950. Twenty-two T34 tanks and several trucks were entrained at the railroad station.

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The train allegedly departed toward Wittstock.*

2. Trucks were at the barracks on 20 April 1950.

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3. a. A convoy of trucks moved toward Pritzwalk-Wittstock on 21 April 1950:

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b.

Some trucks had been loaded with ammunition at the ammunition depot before the departure. About 20 two-axle reconnaissance cars were seen among the first trucks of the convoy.

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A general riding in a jeep passed the convoy.

4. A rear detail apparently remained in the barracks. It was presumably equipped with armored vehicles since one tank moved through the town and returned to the barracks on 28 April 1950.
5. The Perleberg troops allegedly moved to a summer camp near Iittstock.
6. The same soldiers who had directed traffic in Perleberg were seen directing traffic in Wittstock on 22 April 1950. Motor vehicles proceeded toward Zechlin-Rheinsberg.
7. a. motor vehicles were seen on the Perleberg-Iittstock road, moving toward Wittstock on 22 April 1950.

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b. About 15 armored reconnaissance cars were also seen on the road. About 50 percent had apparently engine trouble, as soldiers were working on the motors.

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8. Trucks [] each with a mounted rail-type rocket launcher, five other trucks with mounted rail-type rocket launchers and two trucks []

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[] moved through Perleberg on 24 April 1950, heading toward Pritzwalk-Wittstock.

9. When the troops left Perleberg, they vacated the hospital on Franz Crunickstrasse on 22 April 1950. The houses on Layerteich were still occupied at that time.

10. Truck [] was identified at the barracks on 27 April 1950.

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11. No changes were observed at the Perleberg airfield up to 24 April 1950. The vehicles marked there presumably left during the night of 25 April 1950 as they were no longer seen on 26 April 1950. Three tank trucks being refueled at an underground filling station in the center of the landing field and some individual motor vehicles were observed on 27 April 1950. Truck [] was seen.

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12. A general riding in a passenger car [] was seen in Perleberg on 28 April 1950.

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- * [] Comment: Upon the previously reported departure of the Perleberg tank unit toward Pritzwalk (for Wittstock?) on 4 April 1950, most of the Perleberg units apparently left for the Wittstock-Schweinrich area for summer exercises between 19 and 26 April 1950. The 18th Aecz Div also practiced in that area in 1949.

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